GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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ENHANCEMENT OF FUNDS UNDER IWDP
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether certain States particularly Maharashtra has requested the Union Government to enhance funds under Integrated Wastelands Development Programme (IWDP);

(b) if so, the State-wise details thereof and the action taken by the Union Government thereon;

(c) the per hectare amount sanctioned under the IWDP at present and the share of the concerned State therein; and

(d) the details of proposed enhancement, if any?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL)

(a) There are no proposals from the State Governments including Maharashtra for enhancement of funds under Integrated Wastelands Development Programme (IWDP).

(b) Does not arise

(c) IWDP is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme and the cost norm of Rs.4000/- per ha. has been revised to Rs.6000 per hectare with effect from 1.4.2000. The increase of Rs.2000 is to be shared between the Central and State Governments in the ratio of 75:25. Thus the funding pattern of the scheme has been revised from 100% Central grant to sharing in the ratio 11:1 between the Central Government and the State Governments i.e. Rs 5,500 is borne by the Central Government and Rs.500 is shared by the State Government.

(d) There is no proposal for enhancement of cost norms.